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**Committee Bill No. 5234**

LCO No. 5640

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:  
(ENV)

***AN ACT BANNING PESTICIDE USE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10-231b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

3 (a) No person, other than a pesticide applicator with supervisory  
4 certification under section 22a-54 or a pesticide applicator with  
5 operational certification under section 22a-54 under the direct  
6 supervision of a supervisory pesticide applicator, may apply pesticide  
7 within any building or on the grounds of any school, other than a  
8 regional vocational agriculture center. This section shall not apply in  
9 the case of an emergency application of pesticide to eliminate an  
10 immediate threat to human health where it is impractical to obtain the  
11 services of any such applicator provided such emergency application  
12 does not involve a restricted use pesticide, as defined in section 22a-47.

13 (b) No person shall apply a lawn care pesticide on the grounds of  
14 any public or private preschool or public or private [elementary]  
15 school with students in grade eight or lower, except that (1) on and  
16 after January 1, 2006, until July 1, 2008, an application of a lawn care

17 pesticide may be made at a public or private [elementary] school with  
 18 students in grade eight or lower on the playing fields and playgrounds  
 19 of such school pursuant to an integrated pest management plan, which  
 20 plan (A) shall be consistent with the model pest control management  
 21 plan developed by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection  
 22 pursuant to section 22a-66l, and (B) may be developed by a local or  
 23 regional board of education for all public schools under its control, and  
 24 (2) an emergency application of a lawn care pesticide may be made to  
 25 eliminate a threat to human health, as determined by the local health  
 26 director, the Commissioner of Public Health, the Commissioner of  
 27 Environmental Protection or, in the case of a public [elementary]  
 28 school, the school superintendent.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2007	10-231b
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To prohibit the application of lawn care pesticides on the grounds of any public or private school with students in grade eight or lower.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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